State of South Caroling Governor's Proclamation

- WHEREAS, Providence Hospital was founded in 1938 when Father Martin C. Murphy of St. Peter's Church purchased a tract of land in Columbia, businessman James Younginer donated the down payment for the property, and the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine mortgaged their motherhouse in Cleveland, Ohio, to finance a new hospital in a city they had never visited; and
- WHEREAS, the Sisters of Charity Providence Hospital, Providence Heart Institute and Providence Hospital Northeast now comprise the mission-oriented ministry of healing and compassion that the founders envisioned; and
- **WHEREAS**, Sisters of Charity Providence Hospitals will celebrate their 65th birthday on June 3, 2003.
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 3, 2003, as

SISTERS OF CHARITY PROVIDENCE HOSPITALS DAY

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to honor Sisters of Charity Providence Hospitals for their outstanding service to South Carolina.

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Mark Sanford
Governor
State of South Carolina